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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

EPHRAIN JR. MARK MARCHAN,	)
Petitioner,	)
V.	) No. 4:24-cv-00544-SEP
	)
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN	)
AND NORTHERN IRELAND,	)
	)
Respondent.	)

## **MEMORANDUM AND ORDER**

Before the Court is self-represented Petitioner's Amended Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus Under 28 U.S.C. § 2241, Doc. [6]. "District courts are limited to granting habeas relief "within their respective jurisdictions." *Rumsfeld v. Padilla*, 542 U.S. 426, 442 (2004) (quoting 28 U.S.C. § 2241(a)). "The plain language of the habeas statute thus confirms the general rule that for core habeas petitions challenging present physical confinement, jurisdiction lies in only one district: the district of confinement." *Id.* at 443. According to the Amended Petition, Petitioner is currently confined in The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago. Petitioner's custodian, therefore, is located in a foreign nation. The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri therefore lacks jurisdiction to grant the writ.

Accordingly,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Petitioner's Amended Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus Under 28 U.S.C. § 2241, Doc. [6], is **DISMISSED** for lack of jurisdiction.

An Order of Dismissal will accompany this Memorandum and Order.

Dated this 13th day of June, 2024.

SARAH E. PITLYK

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE